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QUOTE C O N F I D E N T I A L LUSAKA 2761

E.O. 11652: GDS

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SUBJ: NAMIBIA: INVITATION TO SWAPO

REF: STATE 217562

1. WE UNDERSTAND AND SYMPATHIZE WITH THE IMPORTANCE OF
GETTING NUJOMA TO NEW YORK SO THAT A MEETING WITH THE
FIVE CAN TAKE PLACE BEFORE STEYN TAKES OFFICE IN NAMIBIA
OCTOBER 1. HOWEVER, I BELIEVE WE MUST RECOGNIZE THE
LIMITATIONS IN OBTAINING FRONTLINE SUPPORT FOR URGING
COOPERATION ON NUJOMA.

2. ON BROAD, SUBSTANTIVE QUESTIONS WHICH DO NOT HAVE
SHORT-TERM TIME LIMITATIONS, WE CAN AND SHOULD APPEAL
TO FRONTLINE TO PRESS NUJOMA TO TAKE MODERATE POSITION,
BUT ON TACTICAL MATTERS, HOWEVER IMPORTANT, COMMUNICATIONS
ARE SUCH IN THIS PART OF THE WORLD THAT IT IS OFTEN THE CASE
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THAT NUJOMA IS UNAVAILABLE OR THAT THE ZAMBIAN GOVERNMENT,
AT LEAST, SIMPLY DOES NOT HAVE OCCASION TO APPEAL EFFECTIVELY
TO HIM. THEREFORE, EVEN WITH THE BEST OF GOODWILL THE
ZAMBIAN GOVERNMENT HAS DIFFICULTY TRANSLATING OUR REQUESTS
INTO EFFECTIVE SHORT-TERM PRESSURE ON NUJOMA.

3. WE APPEALED TO KAUNDA RECENTLY ON NAMIBIA (HERE IN

LUSAKA AND IN LAGOS) AND, FOR THAT MATTER, TO NYERERE (IN LONDON), THOUGH I LEAVE JUDGMENT ON THAT CASE TO JIM SPAIN. IT IS OUR FEELING HERE THAT IT IS UNLIKELY THAT THE ZAMBIANS WOULD BE EFFECTIVE IN A REQUEST TO NUJOMA TO SPEED UP HIS TIMETABLE FOR NY NEGOTIATIONS. THUS WE COULD BE EXPENDING CREDIT INEFFECTIVELY WHICH WE ARE LIKELY TO HAVE AN IMPORTANT USE FOR AT A LATER TIME.
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